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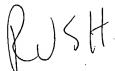
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# SEARCH REQUEST FORM

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Title of Invention: Token with Built -N 1C Chip NOV 0 6 2007	
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Game character generation method for video game device, involves using data set prepared by additional video game program different from usual game program, to generate game characters

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Inventor: KUBO M; KUBO S; SUZUKI A

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CLAIMS

Patent Family (7 patents, 30 countries)

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KR 490217	В	KO			Previously issued patent	KR 2001110314

#### **Alerting Abstract EP A2**

NOVELTY - A data set is generated using an additional video game program different from the usual video game program. The game characters are generated, by referring the data set.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- M. Computer readable storage medium storing video game program;
- N. Video game device

USE - For generating game characters in video game device (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - Prevents a player from becoming bored with the content because the character data of the selectable contest opponents is changed according to the state of the memory card. Since the prediction of type of contest opponents is not possible, play tension of the player is always maintained.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the flowchart describing a process of the video game program.

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; CHARACTER; GENERATE; METHOD; VIDEO; DEVICE; DATA; SET; PREPARATION; ADD; PROGRAM; USUAL

#### **Class Codes**

International Patent Classification

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date	
A63F-013/00; A63F-013/10			Main		"Version 7"	
A63F-0013/10	A	I		R	20060101	
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Game character generation method for video game device, involves using data set prepared by additional video game program different from usual game program, to generate game characters ... Original Titles: Game character generating method, storage medium and video game device ... ... GAME CHARACTER GENERATING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM AND VIDEO GAME DEVICE Game character generating method, storage medium and video game device Game character generating method, storage medium and video game device Alerting Abstract ... NOVELTY - A data set is generated using an additional video game program different from the usual video game program. The game characters are generated, by referring the data set. ... Computer readable storage medium storing video game program; Video game device USE - For generating game characters in video game device (claimed).... ... ADVANTAGE - Prevents a player from becoming bored with the content because the character data of the selectable contest opponents is changed according to the state of the memory card. Since the prediction of type of contest opponents is not possible, play tension of the player is always maintained... ... DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the flowchart describing a process of the video game program. Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; ... ... DATA; Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: In a video game program executed by a video game device, comprising a first external storage device storing a video game program and a second external storage device storing data generated by executing said video game program, a game character is generated by referencing character data indicating the status of the game character. If the data generated by the video game program and stored in the second external storage device is called user data, then the video game program generates the game character by referencing data other than the user data, according to the state of the second external storage device... ... In a video game program executed by a video game device, comprising a first external storage device storing a video game program and a

second external storage device storing data generated by executing said video game program, a game character is generated by referencing character data indicating the status of the game character. If the data generated by the video game program and stored in the second external storage device is called user data, then the video game program generates the game character by referencing data other than the user data, according to the state of the second external storage device. ... ... In a video game program executed by a video game device, comprising a first external storage device storing a video game program and a second external storage device storing data generated by executing the video game program, a game character is generated by referencing character data indicating the status of the game character. If the data generated by the video game program and stored in the second external storage device is called user data, then the video game program generates the game character by referencing data other than the user data, according to the state of the second external storage device. >Claims: A game character generation method of generating a game character in accordance with a video game program stored in a first storage device of a video game device, said method comprising the steps of:preparing a data set generated by an additional video game program different from the video game program; andgenerating the game character by referencing the data set.... ... What is claimed is:1. A game character generation method of generating a game character in accordance with a video game program stored in a first storage device of a video game device, said method comprising the steps of:preparing a data set generated by an additional video game program different from the video game program; andgenerating the game character by referencing the data set. What is claimed is: 1. A game character generation method of generating a game character in accordance with a first video game program, which is stored in a first storage device of a video game device and is executed by a first type video game device, said method comprising the steps of:accessing a data set that was generated by a second video game program, which is different from the first video game program, executed on said first type video game device; andgenerating the game character by referencing the data set and executing the first video game program by said first type video game device.>...Basic Derwent Week: EP 2001112837

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Radio frequency identification device stores access codes that are transmitted to processing device to enable feature in electronic device such as game console, PDA

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Inventor: COLLINS T J; JACKSON M R; LILL M P; RAKERS P L; WODKA J F

Patent Family (5 patents, 100 countries)

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### Alerting Abstract US Al

NOVELTY - The radio frequency identification (RFID) device stores access codes that are programmed at the point-of-purchase of an item. The codes read by a reader (206) are transmitted to enable a feature in an electronic **device** such as an electronic **game console**, a PDA, a cellular telephone and a pager. The feature is disabled based on the number of times the RFID device has been used and based on predetermined time period.

USE - Radio frequency identification (RFID) device implanted in collector's card, cereal boxes, magazines and coupons that are distributed through local news papers for promoting sales and is implanted in game card or tokens for enhancing or enabling new games on an electronic game console.

ADVANTAGE - Allows producers and their marketing organizations to effectively run product **promotions** by **data** mining.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the electrostatic RFID devices. 206 Reader

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: RADIO; FREQUENCY; IDENTIFY; DEVICE; STORAGE; ACCESS; CODE; TRANSMIT; PROCESS; ENABLE; FEATURE; ELECTRONIC; GAME; CONSOLE

#### **Class Codes**

#### International Patent Classification

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date	
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G05B-0019/12	A	I	F	В	20060101	
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G05B; W04-X02C; W05-A05C1

Radio frequency identification device stores access codes that are transmitted to processing device to enable feature in electronic device such as game console, PDA Alerting Abstract ...programmed at the point-of-purchase of an item. The codes read by a reader (206) are transmitted to enable a feature in an electronic device such as an electronic game console, a PDA, a cellular telephone and a pager. The feature is disabled based on the number of times the RFID device has been used and... USE - Radio frequency identification (RFID) device implanted in collector's card, cereal boxes, magazines and coupons that are distributed through local news papers for promoting sales and is implanted in game card or tokens for enhancing or enabling new games on an electronic game console. ... ... ADVANTAGE - Allows producers and their marketing organizations to effectively run product promotions by data mining... ... DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the electrostatic RFID devices Title Terms ... /Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: A radio frequency identification ("RFID") device (102) having stored thereon an expiration and a set of data bits which, when presented to a processing device (602) via a RFID reader (206), causes the processing device (602) to enable

a feature that would otherwise be disabled in an electronic device (600), and disable the feature when the expiration reaches a predetermined value... ... A radio frequency identification ("RFID") device (102) having stored thereon an expiration and a set of data bits which, when presented to a processing device (602) via a RFID reader (206), causes the processing device (602) to enable a feature that would otherwise be disabled in an electronic device (600), and disable the feature when the expiration reaches a predetermined value. ... ... identification ("RFID") device (102) having stored thereon an expiration and a set of data bits which, when presented to a processing device (602) via a RFID reader (206), causes the processing device (602) to enable a feature that would otherwise be disabled in an electronic device (600), and disable the feature when the expiration reaches a predetermined value. ... ... L'invention concerne un dispositif d'identification par radio-frequence (RFID) (102) sur lequel sont stockes des ensembles de bits d'information et d'expiration. Lorsque ces donnees sont presentees a un dispositif de traitement (602) equipe d'un lecteur RFID (206), le dispositif de traitement (602) active une caracteristique qui est normalement desactivee dans un dispositif electronique (600) et desactive cette caracteristique lorsque les donnees d'expiration atteignent une valeur predeterminee. Claims: We claim: 1. A radio frequency identification ("RFID") device having stored thereon an expiration and a set of data bits which, when presented to a processing device via a RFID reader, causes the processing device to enable a feature that would otherwise be disabled in an electronic device, and disable the feature when the expiration reaches a predetermined value... ... promotional material comprising a visual aid that identifies a consumer product other than the promotional material, the promotional material further comprising a radio frequency identification ("RFID") device having stored thereon an expiration and a set of data bits which, when presented to a processing device via a RFID reader, causes the processing device to enable at least one feature that would otherwise be disabled in an electronic device having a plurality of features, and disable the at least one feature when the expiration reaches a predetermined value, wherein the at least one... Basic Derwent Week: 200273

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Method for playing interactive treasure hunt game involves providing clues to players who posses identification badge and who have sufficiently advanced in game

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Inventor: BARNEY J A; WESTON D C

Patent Family (2 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Number	Kind			Kind Date Application N	Kind	Date	Update	Туре
US 20040092311	A1	20040513	US 2002370568	P	20020405	200435	В	
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#### Patent Details

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US 20040092311	A1	EN	28	23	Related to Provisional	US 2002370568		

#### Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - Each participant is provided a unique identification badge. Clues are provided to players who posses the badge and who have sufficiently advanced in the **game**. The player are allowed to advance in the **game** and find more clues as each challenge is successfully completed.

USE - For playing interactive treasure hunt game.

ADVANTAGE - Excitement and entertainment property of games are improved while improving creativity and imagination of player.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a perspective view of a game participant using a computer game.

105 player

200 wand

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: METHOD; PLAY; INTERACT; HUNTING; GAME; IDENTIFY; BADGE; SUFFICIENT; ADVANCE

#### **Class Codes**

#### International Patent Classification

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IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date

A63F-0013/10	A	I	R	20060101
A63F-0003/00	A	N	R	20060101
A63F-0013/10	С	I	R	20060101
A63F-0003/00	С	N	R	20060101

US Classification, Issued: 463043000, 463042000, 273430000, 463039000, 463009000, 340323R00

File Segment: EngPI; EPI;

DWPI Class: T01; T05; W04; P36

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-J30B; T05-H05E; T05-H08C; W04-X02C

Method for playing interactive treasure hunt game involves providing clues to players who posses identification badge and who have sufficiently advanced in game Original Titles:Live-action interactive adventure game ... ...Live-action interactive adventure game Alerting Abstract ... NOVELTY - Each participant is provided a unique identification badge. Clues are provided to players who posses the badge and who have sufficiently advanced in the game. The player are allowed to advance in the game and find more clues as each challenge is successfully completed. USE - For playing interactive treasure hunt game. ... ... ADVANTAGE -Excitement and entertainment property of games are improved while improving creativity and imagination of player.....DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a perspective view of a game participant using a computer game. Title Terms .../Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: An interactive treasure hunt game is provided. Game participants receive a card, map and/or identification badge configured with an RFID tag, bar-code or a magnetic "swipe" strip or the like. The RFID tag or other identifying device is used to store certain information identifying each play participant and/or describing certain powers or abilities possessed by an imaginary character that the card may represent. Players advance in the game by finding clues and solving various puzzles presented by the game. Players may also gain (or lose) certain attributes, such as magic skills, magic strength, fighting ability, various spell-casting abilities, etc. All of this information is preferably stored on the RFID tag or card so that the character attributes may be easily and conveniently transported to other similarly-equipped play facilities, computer games, video games, home game consoles, hand-held game units, and the like. In this manner, the game can seamlessly transcend from one play environment and/or entertainment medium to the next... ... An interactive treasure hunt game is provided. Game participants receive a card, map and/or identification badge configured with an RFID tag, bar-code or a magnetic "swipe" strip or the like. The RFID tag or other identifying device is used to store certain information identifying each play participant and/or describing certain powers or abilities possessed by an imaginary character that the card may represent. Players advance in the game by finding clues and solving various puzzles presented by the game. Players may also gain (or lose) certain attributes, such as magic skills, magic strength, fighting ability, various spell-casting abilities, etc. All of this information is preferably stored on the RFID tag or card so that the character attributes may be easily and conveniently transported to other similarly-equipped play facilities, computer games, video games, home game consoles, hand-held game units, and the like. In this manner, the game can seamlessly transcend from one play environment and/or entertainment medium to the next. Claims: What is claimed is:1. A method for playing an interactive treasure hunt game comprising the following steps:providing each play participant with a unique or semi-unique identification badge or token, said token being capable of storing certain selected information identifying each play participant and/or certain powers or abilities possessed by an imaginary character represented by the token; providing clues for players to find and use in solving various challenges, said clues only being accessible to players who possess a token and who have sufficiently advanced in the game; and allowing players to advance in the game and find more clues as each challenge is successfully completed... ... 1. A method for providing an interactive treasure hunt game, the method comprising:providing each of a plurality of play participants with a wand having a radio frequency identification (RFID) transponder; storing on each wand unique identification information for identifying each respective play participant and for identifying at least one attribute possessed by an imaginary character associated with the wand; receiving, with at least one receiver, identification information from at least one RFID transponder; providing clues for the plurality of play participants to find and use in completing various challenges in a game, said clues being accessible only by play participants who possess a wand and who have sufficiently advanced in the game; and allowing play participants who complete a challenge to advance in the game and to find additional clues.... Basic Derwent Week: 200435...

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Computer system for playing computer games - in which stored specific charcatristic data of computer game

is updated in accordance with result of processed computer games

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Patent Family (7 patents, 8 countries)

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EP 779588	A2	19970618	EP 1996308942	Α	19961210	199729	В
JP 9155065	Α	19970617	JP 1995346490	Α	19951212	199734	E .
CA 2192296	Α	19970613	CA 2192296	Α	19961206	199741	E
US 5961386	Α	19991005	US 1996763452	A	19961211	199948	E
CN 1158458	Α	19970903	CN 1996121483	Α	19961212	200140	E
CA 2192296	С	20030218	CA 2192296	Α	19961206	200327	E
CN 1179287	С	20041208	CN 1996121483	Α	19961212	200618	E

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): JP 1995346490 A 19951212

#### Patent Details

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EP 779588	A2	EN	14	9		
Regional Designated States, Original	DE FR GI	3 NL				
JP 9155065	A	JA	7	5		
CA 2192296	Α	EN				
CA 2192296	С	EN				

#### Alerting Abstract EP A2

The computer system stores specific characteristic data of each of the game players in a memory card for each of the game players. The specific characteristic data is removable from one memory to another memory in accordance with the result of the competing game. The memory card is detachable from the computer system, and the computer system is able to be connected to a network.

The skill of the game players is displayed and stored, and each skill of the game players is displayed on all display units of the game players at the same time in the network. All game players are therefore able to play the same computer game at the same time on the network and one game player is able to recognise the skills of the other game players on the network.

USE - Playing competitive computer game with specific characteristic removable data.

ADVANTAGE - Enables skill of game player to be displayed and stored clearly and correctly.

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: COMPUTER; SYSTEM; PLAY; GAME; STORAGE; SPECIFIC; DATA; UPDATE; ACCORD; RESULT; PROCESS

#### Class Codes

International Patent Classification

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date
A63F-0013/10	A	I		R	20060101
G06F-0013/00	A	I	F	R	20060101
G06Q-0050/00	A	I		R	20060101
A63F-0013/10	С	I		R	20060101
G06F-0013/00	С	I	F	R	20060101
G06Q-0050/00	C	I		R	20060101

US Classification, Issued: 463043000, 463042000, 463025000

File Segment: EngPI; EPI;

DWPI Class: T01; W02; W04; P36

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-H03; T01-P02A; W02-F10G; W04-X02A8; W04-X02C

Computer system for playing computer games - ... ... in which stored specific charcatristic data of computer game is updated in accordance with result of processed computer games ... Original Titles: Computer system for playing competing type game with specific characteristic removable data ......Systeme d'ordinateur pour jouer un jeu competitif avec des donnees de characteristique specifique echangeables... ...MATCH TYPE COMPUTER GAME SYSTEM CAPABLE OF EXCHANGING SPECIFIED INTRINSIC DATA ... ... Computer system for playing competing type game with specific characteristic removable data. Alerting Abstract ... The computer system stores specific characteristic data of each of the game players in a memory card for each of the game players. The specific characteristic data is removable from one memory to another memory in accordance with the result of the competing game. The memory card is detachable from the computer system, and the computer system is able to be connected to a network... ... The skill of the game players is displayed and stored, and each skill of the game players is displayed on all display units of the game players at the same time in the network. All game players are therefore able to play the same computer game at the same time on the network and one game player is able to recognise the skills of the other game players on the network... ... USE - Playing competitive computer game with specific characteristic removable data. ... ... ADVANTAGE - Enables skill of game player to be displayed and stored clearly and correctly. Title Terms .../Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; ... ...DATA; UPDATE; ... ...RESULT; Class Codes International Patent Classification IPC Class Level Scope Position Status Version Date A63F-0013/10... ...G06F-0013/00 A63F-0013/10... ...G06F-0013/00 Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-H03... ...T01-P02A......W04-X02A8.....W04-X02C Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts:In a computer system for playing a computer game of the present invention, the computer game is a competing type game and specific characteristic data of each of game players is stored in a memory card of each game player. The specific characteristic data is removable from one memory to another memory in accordance with result of the competing game. The memory card is detachable from the computer system. Further, the computer system is able to be connected with a network. Therefore, a skill of the game player is displayed and stored clearly and correctly.

Further, each skill of the game players is displayed on all display units of the game players at same time on the network. Therefore, all game players are able to play a same computer game at the same time on the network and one game player is able to recognize the skills of other game players on the network. ... ... In a computer system for playing a computer game of the present invention, the computer game is a competing type game and specific characteristics data of each of game players is stored in a memory card of each game player. The specific characteristic data is removable from one memory to another memory in accordance with result of the competing game. The memory card is detachable from the computer system. Further, the computer system is able to be connected with a network. Therefore, a skill of the game player is displayed and stored clearly and correctly.

Further, each skill of the game players is displayed on all display units of the game players at same time on the network. Therefore, all game players are able to play a same computer game at the same time on the network and one game player is able to recognize the skills of other game players on the network. Claims: 1. A computer system for playing a computer game, said computer system comprising:

memory means for storing specific characteristic data of said computer game;

a CPU for processing said computer game; and

means for updating said stored specific characteristic data in accordance with result of said processed computer game. A computer game system in which two human players compete against each other comprising: a ROM for storing a computer game; a RAM into which the ROM loads the computer game; a CPU controlling the loading of the computer game into the RAM and executing the game; at least two control units, each used by a player to play the computer game; at least two machine-readable medium each containing at least a first data and a separate second data, different from the first data, said first data corresponding to a respective player's ability to play the computer game, and the separate second data corresponding to previous accomplishment of said respective player in playing the computer game; means for enabling each player to wager a portion of the data corresponding to his respective previous accomplishment in playing the computer game that he will defeat the other player when playing the computer game; andmeans for deducting the portion wagered of the data corresponding to previous accomplishment from the losing player and adding it to the winning player, whereinthe data contained in said at least two machine-readable medium is not changed by any software stored in said ROM, and cannot be directly changed by the respective player.>Basic Derwent Week: 199729

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2001-662611; 2003-898865 XRPX Acc No: N2005-094863

Bonus printing and dispensing system for electronic game machine, receives command signals to print and dispense bonus information and awards to player according to selected events occurring on game machine

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Inventor: OKUNIEWICZ D M

Patent Family (1 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Number	ber Kind Date		Application Number	Date	Update	Type	
US 6840860	B1	20050111	US 1997795152	A	19970207	200512	В
			US 1997994075	A	19971219		
	†		US 2000639441	A	20000815		

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 1997994075 A 19971219; US 1997795152 A 19970207; US 2000639441 A 20000815

#### Patent Details

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US 6840860	B1	EN	20	3	C-I-P of application	US 1997795152	
					C-I-P of application	US 1997994075	
					C-I-P of patent	US 5908354	
					C-I-P of patent	US 6146276	

#### Alerting Abstract US B1

NOVELTY - A computing unit analyzes selected event occurrence **information** signals **output** from event detection sampler based on detection of selected event occurrence notification signals, to **output** command signals. A **bonus** printing/dispensing device prints and dispenses **bonus information** and **awards** to the player according to selected events occurring on the **game machine**, by receiving command signals.

USE - For printing and dispensing bonus items e.g. coin, cash, bonus tickets, lottery tickets, scratch off tickets, complimentaries, promotional materials and other bonus awards to player playing electronic game machine e.g. slot machine, video poker machine and casino game machine.

ADVANTAGE - Allows the player to modify the **bonus** payout according to players wish, without requiring additional inspection by a **gaming** commission or its agent.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the block diagram of the programmable electronic activity detector and command generator of **bonus** printing and dispensing system.

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: BONUS; PRINT; DISPENSE; SYSTEM; ELECTRONIC; GAME;

MACHINE; RECEIVE; COMMAND; SIGNAL; INFORMATION; AWARD; PLAY; ACCORD; SELECT; EVENT; OCCUR

#### **Class Codes**

#### International Patent Classification

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date
G06F-0003/16	A	I		R	20060101
G06F-0003/16	С	I		R	20060101

US Classification, Issued: 463043000, 273142B00, 381061000, 463035000

File Segment: EngPI; EPI;

DWPI Class: T01; T04; T05; W04; P36

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-J08A; T04-G08; T05-H05E; W04-X02; W04-X02A3; W04-X02E

Bonus printing and dispensing system for electronic game machine, receives command signals to print and dispense bonus information and awards to player according to selected events occurring on game machine Original Titles: Printing and dispensing bonusing system for gaming devices Alerting Abstract ... NOVELTY - A computing unit analyzes selected event occurrence information signals output from event detection sampler based on detection of selected event occurrence notification signals, to output command signals. A bonus printing/dispensing device prints and dispenses bonus information and awards to the player according to selected events occurring on the game machine, by receiving command signals. USE - For printing and dispensing bonus items e.g. coin, cash, bonus tickets, lottery tickets, scratch off tickets, complimentaries, promotional materials and other bonus awards to player playing electronic game machine e.g. slot machine, video poker machine and casino game machine. ... ... ADVANTAGE - Allows the player to modify the bonus payout according to players wish, without requiring additional inspection by a gaming commission or its agent... ... DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS -The figure shows the block diagram of the programmable electronic activity detector and command generator of bonus printing and dispensing system. Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: BONUS; ... ...GAME; ... ...INFORMATION; AWARD; Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: The present invention provides a printing and dispensing bonusing system for electronic gaming devices, particularly a casino gaming device, which includes at least one detection device which is adapted for connection to an electronic apparatus, the detection device operative to detect selected event occurrences on an electronic apparatus and output event occurrence notification signals upon detection of an event. An event detection sampling device is connected in information transmission connection with the detection device, the event detection sampling device operative to detect and receive event occurrence notification signals from the detection devices, analyze the received event occurrence notification signals and output event occurrence information signals including information specifying selected event occurrences. Connected in information transmission connection with the event detection sampling device is an event occurrence information signal computing device which is operative to receive and analyze the event occurrence information signals output by the event detection sampling device and upon detection of selected event occurrence information signals, output command signals for initiating operation of at least one bonus printing and dispensing device connected thereto, independent of a standard output device of the electronic gaming device and operative to accept command signals from the computing device and to print and dispense bonus information and awards resulting from selected combinations being produced by the electronic gaming device whereby an operator/player of the electronic gaming device is awarded selected bonus items and awards. >Claims:I claim:1. A printing and dispensing bonusing system for electronic gaming devices, said system

comprising:at least one detection means adapted for connection to an electronic apparatus, said detection means operative to detect selected event occurrences on an electronic apparatus and output event occurrence notification signals upon detection of an event; event detection sampling means in information transmission connection with said detection means, said event detection sampling means operative to detect and receive event occurrence notification signals from said detection means, analyze said event occurrence notification signals and output event occurrence information signals including information specifying selected event occurrences; event occurrence information signal computing means in information transmission connection with said event detection sampling means, said event occurrence information signal computing means operative to receive and analyze said selected event occurrence information signals output by said event detection sampling means and upon detection of selected event occurrence notification signals, output command signals for initiating operation of at least one bonus printing/dispensing device connected to a programmable event occurrence information signal computing device; and said at least one bonus printing/dispensing device independent of a standard output device of the electronic gaming device and operative to accept command signals from said programmable event occurrence information signal computing device and to print and dispense bonus information and awards resulting from selected events occurring on the electronic gaming device whereby an operator/player of the electronic gaming device is awarded selected bonus information and awards.>... Basic Derwent Week: 200512...

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SIGNAL PROCESSOR, ITS METHOD, GAME DEVICE, AND MACHINE - READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH SOFTWARE

**Pub. No.:** 2001-170357 [JP 2001170357 A]

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**Application No.:** 11-361223 [JP 99361223] **Filed:** December 20, 1999 (19991220) **International Class:** A63F-013/00

#### **ABSTRACT**

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a television game showing different characters for each user, for example, and having more interest and more profoundness.

SOLUTION: A CD-ROM 40 storing a game program is fitted to a ROM I/F (interface) 11, a memory card 50 recording a proceeding process is fitted to a recording medium I/F 18, and a game is started in this game machine body 10. A CPU 13 reads the ID of the memory card 50 after the start of the game and generates parameters used for the control of the game program. For generating characters, for example, they are generated in the data selected by the ID. A game story is changed according to the ID. The user can play the game by using characters and scenes offered to only the user having the memory card 50.

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SIGNAL PROCESSOR, ITS METHOD, GAME DEVICE, AND MACHINE - READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH SOFTWARE

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Interactive game provision method for electronic treasure hunt game, involves providing clues to complete various challenges in game, and token having barcode storing unique person identifier number to game participants

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Inventor: BARNEY J A; WESTON D C

Patent Family (1 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Number	Kind	Date	<b>Application Number</b>	Kind	Date	Update	Type
US 20050266907	A1	20051201	US 2002370568	P	20020405	200603	В
			US 2003410583	Α	20030407		
			US 2005183592	Α	20050718		

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2002370568 P 20020405; US 2003410583 A 20030407; US 2005183592 A 20050718

#### Patent Details

Patent Number	Kind	Lan	Pgs	Draw	Filing Notes				
US 20050266907	A1	EN	28	23	Related to Provisional	US 2002370568			
					Continuation of application	US 2003410583			

#### Alerting Abstract US A1

NOVELTY - The game participants (105) are provided with identification badge or token having barcode storing unique person identifier number (UPIN). A barcode reader is provided to obtain identification information from the barcode. Clues are provided to participants to complete various challenges in the game. The participants who possess the token and complete the challenge are allowed to find additional clues.

DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for interactive game system.

USE - For providing live action interactive adventure games such as electronic treasure hunt game in internet, home television, theater, local family entertainment centers and family restaurants.

ADVANTAGE - Since the character attributes such as magic skills, magic strength, fighting ability, various spell casting abilities etc., are stored on the radio frequency identification (RFID) tag, the character attributes are easily and conveniently transported to other similarly-equipped play facilities, computer games, home game consoles, hand-held game units, etc.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a schematic diagram of RF reader and master control system.

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: INTERACT; GAME; PROVISION; METHOD; ELECTRONIC; HUNTING; COMPLETE; VARIOUS; TOKEN; STORAGE; UNIQUE; PERSON; IDENTIFY; NUMBER; PARTICIPATING

#### **Class Codes**

International Patent Classification

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date
A63F-0013/10	· A	I		R	20060101
A63F-0003/00	A	N		R	20060101
A63F-0013/10	С	I		R	20060101
A63F-0003/00	С	N		R	20060101

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DWPI Class: T01; T04; W04

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-J30B; T04-A03B1; W04-X02C

Interactive game provision method for electronic treasure hunt game, involves providing clues to complete various challenges in game, and token having barcode storing unique person identifier number to game participants Original Titles: Systems and methods for providing an interactive game Alerting Abstract ...NOVELTY - The game participants (105) are provided with identification badge or token having barcode storing unique person identifier number (UPIN). A barcode reader is provided to obtain identification information from the barcode. Clues are provided to participants to complete various challenges in the game. The participants who possess the token and complete the challenge are allowed to find additional clues. DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for interactive game system... ... USE - For providing live action interactive adventure games such as electronic treasure hunt game in internet, home television, theater, local family entertainment centers and family restaurants... ... ADVANTAGE - Since the character attributes such as magic skills, magic strength, fighting ability, various spell casting abilities etc., are stored on the radio frequency identification (RFID) tag, the character attributes are easily and conveniently transported to other similarly-equipped play facilities, computer games, home game consoles, hand-held game units, etc... Title Terms .../Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; ... ... TOKEN; Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: An interactive treasure hunt game is provided. Game participants receive a card, map and/or identification badge configured with an RFID tag, barcode or a magnetic "swipe" strip or the like. The RFID tag or other identifying device is used to store certain information identifying each play participant and/or describing-certain powers or abilities possessed by an imaginary character that the card may represent. Players advance in the game by finding clues and solving various puzzles presented by the game. Players may also gain (or lose) certain attributes, such as magic skills, magic strength, fighting ability, various spell-casting abilities, etc. All of this information is preferably stored on the RFID tag or card so that the character attributes may be easily and conveniently transported to other similarly-equipped play facilities, computer games, video games, home game consoles, hand-held game units, and the like. In this manner, the game can seamlessly transcend from one play environment and/or entertainment medium to the next. Claims: 1. A method for providing an interactive game, the method comprising:providing each of a plurality of play participants with a token having a barcode, each barcode representing unique identification information for identifying at least one play participant; providing at least one receiver capable of obtaining identification information from at least one barcode; providing clues for the plurality of play participants to find and use in completing various challenges in a game; and allowing play participants who possess a token and who complete a challenge to advance in the game and/or to find additional clues.... Basic Derwent Week: 200603...

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0013624973 Drawing available WPI Acc no: 2003-720511/200368 XRPX Acc No: N2003-575990

Gaming machines electronic tokens managing method, involves transferring electronic tokens through communication network to super security application module external to gaming machine from module inside machine

Patent Assignee: MOIK H (MOIK-I); ATRONIC INT GMBH (ATRO-N)

Inventor: MOIK H

Patent Family (2 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Number Kind Date		Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Туре
US 20030134680	A1	20030717	US 2002347866	P	20020115	200368	В
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US 7169053	B2	20070130	US 2002287931	A	20021104	200710	E

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2002347866 P 20020115; US 2002287931 A 20021104

#### Patent Details

Patent Number	Kind	Lan	Pgs	Draw	Filing Notes			
US 20030134680	<b>A</b> 1	EN	10	4	Related to Provisional	US 2002347866		

# **Alerting Abstract US A1**

NOVELTY - The method involves receiving a smart card having electronic tokens in a smart card reader associated with a gaming machine. The tokens are transferred from the card to a secure application module (SAM) of the machine that is connected to a communications network. The tokens are transferred through the network to super SAM external to the machine from the SAM inside the machine.

DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a system for operating gaming machine.

USE - Used for managing electronic tokens in gaming machines.

ADVANTAGE - The method maintains the amount of money on the SAM around default level, thereby eliminating the risk of full or emptying of SAM and hence provides efficient distribution of money to all **gaming machines** on the network.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The drawing shows a gaming machines connected to a network for transferring financial information between gaming machines SAM and the external super SAM.

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; MACHINE; ELECTRONIC; TOKEN; MANAGE; METHOD; TRANSFER; THROUGH; COMMUNICATE; NETWORK; SUPER; SECURE; APPLY; MODULE; EXTERNAL

#### **Class Codes**

International Patent Classification

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date
G06F-0019/00	Α	I		R	20060101
G07F-0017/32	A	I		R	20060101
G07F-0007/10	A	I		R	20060101
A63F-0013/00	A	I	F	В	20060101
G06F-0019/00	С	I		R	20060101
G07F-0017/32	С	I		R	20060101
G07F-0007/10	С	I		R	20060101
A63F-0013/00	С	I	F	В	20060101

US Classification, Issued: 463043000, 463043000, 463042000, 463025000

File Segment: EPI; DWPI Class: T05; W04

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T05-H02C1; T05-H02C5C; T05-H05E; T05-H08C; W04-X02A

Gaming machines electronic tokens managing method, involves transferring electronic tokens through communication network to super security application module external to gaming machine from module inside machine Alerting Abstract ... NOVELTY - The method involves receiving a smart card having electronic tokens in a smart card reader associated with a gaming machine. The tokens are transferred from the card to a secure application module (SAM) of the machine that is connected to a communications network. The tokens are transferred through the network to super SAM external to the machine from the SAM inside the machine. DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a system for operating gaming machine. ... ... USE - Used for managing electronic tokens in gaming machines. ... ... on the SAM around default level, thereby eliminating the risk of full or emptying of SAM and hence provides efficient distribution of money to all gaming machines on the network... ... DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The drawing shows a gaming machines connected to a network for transferring financial information between gaming machines SAM and the external super SAM. Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; MACHINE; ... ... TOKEN; ... ... TRANSFER; Class Codes International Patent Classification IPC Class Level Scope Position Status Version Date G06F-0019/00......G07F-0017/32......G07F-0007/10......A63F-0013/00 G06F-0019/00......G07F-0017/32... ...G07F-0007/10... ...A63F-0013/00 Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T05-H02C1... ...T05-H02C5C... ...T05-H05E... ...T05-H08C... ...W04-X02A Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: Gaming machines connected to a network each have a smart card reader and an internal memory for receiving electronic tokens downloaded from the smart cards. In a secure room of a casino, there are a number of card readers containing smart cards having an appropriate memory size. These external card readers are connected to the various gaming machines via the network to provide secure financial transactions over the network. Whenever the electronic token balance of a gaming machine's internal memory exceeds a configurable upper limit, the balance is automatically reduced to a default level by the gaming machine transferring the excess money to an idle external smart card. Whenever the electronic token balance of a gaming machine's internal memory falls below a configurable lower limit, the balance is automatically increased to a default level by the gaming machine transferring the money from an idle external smart card. Gaming machines connected to a network each have a smart card reader and an internal memory for receiving electronic tokens downloaded from the smart cards. In a secure room of a casino, there are a number of card readers containing smart cards having an appropriate memory size. These external card readers are connected to the various gaming machines via the network to provide secure financial transactions

over the network. Whenever the electronic token balance of a gaming machine's internal memory exceeds a configurable upper limit, the balance is automatically reduced to a default level by the gaming machine transferring the excess money to an idle external smart card. Whenever the electronic token balance of a gaming machine's internal memory falls below a configurable lower limit, the balance is automatically increased to a default level by the gaming machine transferring the money from an idle external smart card. >Claims: What is claimed is: 1. A method comprising: receiving a smart card in a card reader associated with a gaming machine, the smart card having electronic tokens stored in a first memory; transferring electronic tokens from the smart card to a second memory internal to a gaming machine, the gaming machine being connected to a communications network; and transferring electronic tokens via the network between a third memory, external to the gaming machine, and the second memory... ... What is claimed is:1. A method comprising: receiving a smart card in a card reader associated with a gaming machine, the smart card having electronic tokens stored in a first memory; transferring electronic tokens from the smart card to a second memory internal to a gaming machine, the gaming machine being connected to a communications network; andtransferring electronic tokens via the network between a third memory, external to the gaming machine, and the second memory, the third memory not being part of the smart card having the first memory, wherein transferring electronic tokens between the third memory and the second memory comprises transferring electronic tokens from the third memory to the second memory to increase the number of electronic tokens in the second memory to at or above a predetermined lower limit, wherein the transferring of electronic tokens between the third memory and the second memory is initiated and performed automatically to increase the number of electronic tokens in the second memory to at or above the predetermined lower limit and not pursuant to any request by a player to transfer electronic tokens between the third memory and the second memory.Basic Derwent Week: 200368

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Related WPI Acc No: 2001-637699; 2002-082223; 2005-415571

XRPX Acc No: N2003-466441

Incentive provision method for slot machine player, involves debiting player account in response to insertion of card into card reader and crediting gaming device associated with card reader

Patent Assignee: ACRES GAMING INC (ACRE-N); ACRES J (ACRE-I)

Inventor: ACRES J

Patent Family (2 patents, 1 countries)

Patent Number	Kind	Date	<b>Application Number</b>	Kind	Date	Update	Type
US 20030104862	A1	20030605	US 1996672217	Α	19960625	200355	В
			US 2001832425	Α	20010410		
			US 2002213814	Α	20020806		
US 6800030	B2	20041005	US 2002213814	Α	20020806	200465	E

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2001832425 A 20010410; US 1996672217 A 19960625; US 2002213814 A 20020806

Patent Details

Patent Number	Kind	Lan	Pgs	Draw	Filing Notes				
US 20030104862	A1	EN	59	34	Continuation of application	US 1996672217			
					Continuation of application	US 2001832425			
					Continuation of patent	US 6244958			
					Continuation of patent	US 6431983			

#### **Alerting Abstract US A1**

NOVELTY - A card for player is issued and player account is created which is accessible by host computer. The issued card is associated with player accounted, to apply a predetermined credit to player account. The account is debited in response to the insertion of card into a card reader (100). The gaming device associated with the card reader is credited corresponding to the debited amount.

USE - For providing incentive during playing game in gaming device such as slot machine.

ADVANTAGE - Enables motivating players to play by providing complementary or molding credits while preventing the credits from being cashed out by the players.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the block diagram of electronic module of **game device** monitoring system.

100 card reader

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: PROVISION; METHOD; SLOT; MACHINE; PLAY; ACCOUNT; RESPOND; INSERT; CARD; READ; GAME; DEVICE; ASSOCIATE

#### Class Codes

#### **International Patent Classification**

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date
A63F-013/00; A63F-009/22			Main		"Version 7"

US Classification, Issued: 463025000, 463025000, 463016000, 463042000

File Segment: EngPI; EPI; DWPI Class: T05; W04; P36

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T05-H02C3; T05-H05E; T05-L02; W04-X02A3

Incentive provision method for slot machine player, involves debiting player account in response to insertion of card into card reader and crediting gaming device associated with card reader Original Titles: Method for providing incentive to play gaming devices connected by a network to a host computer... ... Method for providing incentive to play gaming devices connected by a network to a host computer Alerting Abstract ...with player accounted, to apply a predetermined credit to player account. The account is debited in response to the insertion of card into a card reader (100). The gaming device associated with the card reader is credited corresponding to the debited amount. USE - For providing incentive during playing game in gaming device such as slot machine. ... ...DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the block diagram of electronic module of game device monitoring system.....100 card reader Title Terms .../Index Terms/Additional Words: SLOT; MACHINE; ... ...READ; GAME; DEVICE; Class Codes International Patent Classification IPC Class Level Scope Position Status Version Date A63F-013/00... ... A63F-009/22 Main Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T05-H02C3... ... T05-H05E... ...T05-L02... ...W04-X02A3 Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: A method for providing incentive to players of networked slot machines includes a card reader associated with each machine and a card associated with each player. A player account accessible by a host computer on the network is created which associates the player's card with the account. A predetermined credit is applied to the player's account. In a complementary incentive, credit from the player's account is applied to the coin-in meter of a slot machine responsive to insertion of the player card into a card reader associated with the machine. In a matching incentive also implemented by the present invention, each time the player inserts a coin into the slot machine, an equal credit is debited from the player's account and applied to the coin-in meter of the machine. In both cases, the credit can only be used by the player to play the machines and cannot be cashed out by the player... ... A card reader is associated with each gaming machine on a network and a card is associated with each player. A player account accessible by a host computer on the network is created that associates the player's card with the account. A promotional credit is applied to the player's account. In a complementary incentive, credit from the player's account is applied to the coin-in meter of a slot machine responsive to insertion of the player card into a card reader associated with the machine. In a matching incentive also implemented by the present invention, each time the player inserts a coin into the slot machine, an equal credit is debited from the player's account and applied to the coin-in meter of the machine. In both cases, the credit can only be used by the player to play the machines and cannot be cashed out by the player. Claims:1. A method for providing incentive to play gaming devices connected by a network to a host computer comprising: associating each gaming device with a card reader; issuing a card to a gaming device player; creating a player account accessible by the host computer; associating the card with the player account; applying a predetermined credit to the player's account; debiting the account responsive to insertion of the

card into one of the card readers; and rediting the gaming device associated with said one card reader with the amount debited from the account. What is claimed is:1. A method for providing incentive to play gaming devices connected by a network to a host computer comprising: creating a player account accessible by the host computer; applying a promotional credit to the player account; accessing the account and applying at least some of the promotional credit to a coin-in meter on said one gaming device responsive to a single command initiated by a player at one of the gaming devices; and preventing the promotional credit from being cashed out by the player.... Basic Derwent Week: 200355...

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0011072026 Drawing available WPI Acc no: 2002-007177/200201 XRPX Acc No: N2002-006267

Pachinko machine in game arcade, updates prize winning amount in IC card after each game, based on

purchase of coins using IC card

Patent Assignee: SANKYO CO LTD (SANY)

Inventor: UGAWA S

Patent Family (1 patents, 1 countries)

	Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Туре
1	JP 2001286651 /	A	20011016	JP 2000107045	Α	20000407	200201	В

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): JP 2000107045 A 20000407

#### Patent Details

Patent Number	Kind	Lan	Pgs	Draw	Filing Notes
JP 2001286651	Α	JA	r/u	22	

#### Alerting Abstract JP A

NOVELTY - An updating unit updates the prize winning amount in an IC card, in response to coins purchased by a player using the IC card, after each game.

USE - Pachinko machine in a game arcade.

ADVANTAGE - The labor and management cost involved in collection and storage of prize winning money after each game, are reduced.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the block diagram of the IC card issue payment machine. (Drawing includes non-English language text).

**Title Terms** /Index Terms/Additional Words: MACHINE; **GAME**; UPDATE; PRIZE; WINNING ; AMOUNT; IC; CARD; AFTER; BASED; PURCHASE; **COIN** 

#### Class Codes

International Patent Classification

IPC	Class Level	Scope	Position	Status	Version Date
A63F-007/02			Main		"Version 7"
G06F-017/60			Secondary		"Version 7

File Segment: EngPI; EPI; DWPI Class: T01; P36

Manual Codes (EPI/S-X): T01-P02

Pachinko machine in game arcade, updates prize winning amount in IC card after each game, based on purchase of coins using IC card Original Titles:DEVICE FOR GAME Alerting Abstract ...NOVELTY - An updating unit updates the prize winning amount in an IC card, in response to coins purchased by a player using the IC card, after each game. USE - Pachinko machine in a game arcade. ... ...ADVANTAGE - The labor and management cost involved in collection and storage of prize winning money after each game, are reduced... ...DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the block diagram of the IC card issue payment machine. (Drawing includes non-English language text). Title Terms .../Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; ... ...COIN... ...

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# GAME MACHINE AND MONEY COLLECTING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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SUGIMOTO SHUICHI

**Applicant: OMRON CORP** 

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**Filed:** July 03, 1997 (19970703)

International Class: A63F-009/00; G06K-019/077; G07F-007/08

#### **ABSTRACT**

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To easily deal with a revision of the game charge, by equipping a reader-writer to read data out/in a coin type IC card and composing a money collecting and management system to wright a used amount of money and data corresponding to a residual amount of money by subtracting a used amount into a coin type IC card and discharging the card.

SOLUTION: Inside a game machine equipped with a display part and an operation part with a joy stick and operation buttons on the front face, an IC card reader-writer to read/write a coin type IC card 9 without contact is equipped. The coin type IC card 9 has an outer dimensions slightly larger than, for instance, a 100 yen coin, and is mounted with an IC module into whose circuit board a microcomputer and a memory are integrated as a chip, and is sealed by resin to form. A circle shaped coil 11 for transmission to transmit power and data without contact is equipped. A used amount of money, a residual amount, sale data, etc. Are stored in the IC card 9 to perform a game.

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GAME MACHINE AND MONEY COLLECTING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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#### DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING INFORMATION AND RECORD MEDIUM

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**Inventor: CHATANI KIMIYUKI** 

Applicant: SONY COMPUTER ENTERTAINMENT KK [000000] (A Japanese Company or Corporation), JP

(Japan)

**Application No.:** 09-074932 [JP 9774932]

Filed: March 27, 1997 (19970327) International Class: [6] G06F-009/06

JAPIO Class: 45.1 (INFORMATION PROCESSING -- Arithmetic Sequence Units)

JAPIO Keyword: R102 (APPLIED ELECTRONICS -- Video Disk Recorders, VDR); R131 (INFORMATION

PROCESSING -- Microcomputers & Microprocessers)

#### **ABSTRACT**

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To limit the number of times of using a down-loaded software.

SOLUTION: Software contents and an operation number-of-times token which are down-loaded from a software contents server 121 and an operation number-of-times token server 122 through a communication medium 123 and a communication adapter 124 are respectively transferred and stored to the corresponding one of memory cards 85 and 86 connected to a game machine main body 2. At the time of activating the software contents stored in the memory card 85, the operation number-of-times token stored in the memory card 86 is read, and in the case that the remaining possible operation number of times indicated by the operation number-of-times token is more than '1', the software contents are activated and the operation number-of-times token is updated so as to reduce the remaining operation possible number of times just for '1'.

#### **ABSTRACT**

...SOLUTION: Software contents and an operation number-of-times token which are down-loaded from a software contents server 121 and an operation number-of-times token server 122 through a communication medium 123 and a communication adapter 124 are respectively transferred and stored to the corresponding one of memory cards 85 and 86 connected to a game machine main body 2. At the time of activating the software contents stored in the memory card 85, the operation number-of-times token stored in the memory card 86 is read, and in the case that the remaining possible operation number of times indicated by the operation number-of-times token is more than '1', the software contents are activated and the operation number-of-times token is updated so as to reduce the remaining operation possible number of times just for '1'.

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WPI Acc no: 2004-013839/200402
XRPX Acc No: N2004-010345

Portable medal-operated home video game machine in game arcade, has distribution unit which discharges specific medal according to fulfillment of preset condition during game proceeding state

SAME PULCANT

Patent Assignee: ARUZE CO LTD (ARUZ-N); ARUZE KK (ARUZ-N); SHINODA T (SHIN-I)

Inventor: SHINODA T

Patent Family (6 patents, 35 countries)

Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Туре
EP 1367552	A2	20031203	EP 200312096	A	20030528	200402	В
JP 2003340153	A	20031202	JP 2002156391	A	20020529	200404	Е
US 20030228903	A1	20031211	US 2003449800	A	20030529	200405	E
ZA 200304204	A	20040128	ZA 20034204	A	20030529	200420	Е
AU 2003204494	A1	20031218	AU 2003204494	Α	20030529	200442	E
JP 3830862	B2	20061011	JP 2002156391	Α	20020529	200668	E

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): JP 2002156391 A 20020529

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0013858617 Drawing available WPI Acc no: 2004-036982/200404 XRPX Acc No: N2004-030183

Portable medal operated home video game machine for game arcades, transfers data read from chip to controller, so that game starts with status determined based on read data

SAWE MICELY

Patent Assignee: ARUZE CO LTD (ARUZ-N); ARUZE KK (ARUZ-N); SHINODA T (SHIN-I)

Inventor: SHINODA T

Patent Family (6 patents, 35 countries)

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JP 2003340152	A	20031202	JP 2002156390	A	20020529	200404	E
US 20030232646	A1	20031218	US 2003449803	A	20030529	200406	Е
ZA 200304205	A	20040526	ZA 20034205	A	20030529	200438	E
AU 2003204486	A1	20031218	AU 2003204486	A	20030529	200442	E
JP 3830861	B2	20061011	JP 2002156390	A	20020529	200668	Е

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): JP 2002156390 A 20020529

#### Patent Details

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WPI Acc no: 2004-204647/200420
XRPX Acc No: N2004-162594

Gaming machine for game arcade has CPU that transmits game initial data or game history data read out

SAME PLICAT

from token to server

Patent Assignee: ARUZE CORP (ARUZ-N); ARUZE KK (ARUZ-N)

Inventor: SHINODA T

Patent Family (6 patents, 35 countries)

Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Type
EP 1391855	A1	20040225	EP 200318953	Α	20030820	200420	В
JP 2004073583	A	20040311	JP 2002239691	A	20020820	200420	E
ZA 200306483	Α	20040428	ZA 20036483	A	20030820	200432	E
US 20040106455	A1	20040603	US 2003644082	А	20030820	200436	Е
AU 2003236220	A1	20040311	AU 2003236220	Α	20030820	200459	E
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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): JP 2002239691 A 20020820

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WPI Acc no: 2000-399477/200034
XRAM Acc no: C2000-120571
XRPX Acc No: N2000-299266

Label for game pieces, coupons, or promotional materials, has a base ply having printed indicia and is attached to a substrate by water-insoluble adhesive

Patent Assignee: CARIDES J J (CARI-I); DITTLER BROS INC (DITT-N); FUTRAL T D (FUTR-I); HALL G W

(HALL-I); PITTMAN J T (PITT-I); RICH B R (RICH-I)

Inventor: CARIDES J J; FUTRAL T D; HALL G W; HALL I G W; PITTMAN J T; RICH B R

Patent Family (3 patents, 21 countries)

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US 20010035645	A1	20011101	US 1998191000	Α	19981112	200168	Е
US 6455119	B2	20020924	US 1998191000	Α	19981112	200266	E

Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 1998191000 A 19981112

#### Patent Details

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#### Alerting Abstract WO A1

NOVELTY - A label (10) has water-impervious base (14) and upper plies (26). The base ply is attached to the substrate by a water-insoluble adhesive. The adhesive (26) is applied to the periphery of at least one of the plies to attach them. An indicia (22) is printed on the center of at least one of the upper surface of the base ply or the bottom surface of the upper ply.

USE - For game pieces, coupons, or promotional materials.

ADVANTAGE - The invention retains its integrity and withstands immersion in hot or cold water for extended periods.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The drawing shows a view of a label.

- 10 Label
- 14 Base ply
- 22 Indicia
- 26 Upper ply

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: LABEL; GAME; PIECE; COUPON; PROMOTE; MATERIAL;

# BASE; PLY; PRINT; INDICIA; ATTACH; SUBSTRATE; WATER; INSOLUBLE; ADHESIVE

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Label for game pieces, coupons, or promotional materials, has a base ply having printed indicia and is attached to a substrate by water-insoluble adhesive Alerting Abstract ... NOVELTY - A label (10) has waterimpervious base (14) and upper plies (26). The base ply is attached to the substrate by a water-insoluble adhesive. The adhesive (26) is applied to the periphery of at least one of the plies to attach them. An indicia (22) is printed on the center of at least one of the upper surface of the base ply or the bottom surface of the upper ply. USE - For game pieces, coupons, or promotional materials... ... 14 Base ply... Extension Abstract ... EMBODIMENT of the label, a separating mechanism for the center and periphery of the upper ply has perforations. At least one of the top and bottom surfaces of the plies obscures the indicia from view before separation. The upper ply bottom surface includes an opaque material to obscure the indicia from view. A removable, scratch-off coating is applied on top of the indicia. Title Terms .../Index Terms/Additional Words: GAME; ... ...COUPON; PROMOTE; ... ...BASE; ... ...ATTACH; Original Publication Data by AuthorityOriginal Abstracts: A multi-ply label structure is especially, although not necessarily, adapted for affixation to a vessel. The multi-ply label is intended to protect a game piece, coupon, or other material from moisture and other detrimental external environments before affixation to the vessel. As a result, the bottle can be immersed in water for an extended period without destroying the integrity of the label structure... ... A multi-ply label structure is especially, although not necessarily, adapted for affixation to a vessel. The multi-ply label is intended to protect a game piece, coupon, or other material from moisture and other detrimental external environments before affixation to the vessel. As a result, the bottle can be immersed in water for an extended period without destroying the integrity of the label structure... ... A multi-ply label (10) for optional affixation to a vessel is disclosed. The multi-ply label (10) protects a game piece, coupon, or other material from moisture and other detrimental environments before affixation to the vessel thereby allowing the vessel to be immersed without destroying the label's integrity. The label (10) has a base ply (14), a middle ply or game portion (22), and a second ply (26). Generally, the length and width of the game portion (22), which has upper surface (74) is less than that of base ply (14) and second ply (26). This permits base ply (14) and second ply (26) to encase game portion (22) when the base ply periphery (30) and second ply periphery (34) are adhered by adhesive (78). If necessary, adhesive (54) can attach the underside of game portion (22) to the upper surface (58) of base ply (14). ... ... qui est concue pour etre fixee de maniere facultative sur un contenant. Cette etiquette multicouche (10) est concue pour proteger une piece de jeu, un coupon ou toute autre support de l'humidite et des autres elements environnementaux externes nuisibles, avant la fixation sur le contenant, ce qui permet d'immerger ledit contenant dans de l'eau pendant un laps de temps important sans que l'integrite de l'etiquette en soit affectee. Cette etiquette (10) possede une couche de base (14), une couche intermediaire ou partie jeu (22) et une seconde couche (26). Generalement, la longueur et la largeur de la partie jeu (22) dotee d'une surface superieure (74) sont inferieures a

celles de la couche de base (14) et de la seconde couche (26). Ceci permet d'enfermer la partie jeu (22) entre la couche de base (14) et la seconde couche (26) lorsque le pourtour (30) de la couche de base et le pourtour (34) de la seconde couche sont colles a l'aide d'un adhesif (78). Si necessaire, l'adhesif (54) peut fixer la partie inferieure de la partie jeu (22) a la surface superieure (58) de la couche de base (14). Claims: We claim: 1. A label adapted for attachment to a substrate, comprising: a. a water-impervious base ply having: i. an upper surface; ii. a lower surface; iii. a peripheral portion; and iv. a central portion; b. a water-impervious upper ply having: i. a top surface; ii. a bottom surface; iii. a peripheral portion; and iv. a central portion; c. a water-insoluble adhesive applied to (i) the lower surface of the base ply for attaching the base ply to the substrate and (ii) the peripheral portion of at least one of the base ply and upper ply so as to attach the base ply and upper ply; and d. indicia printed on the central portion of at least one of the upper surface of the base ply or the bottom surface of the upper ply. A label for attachment to a substrate and for providing a protective enclosure for a promotional element, comprising: a. a water-impervious base ply having: i. an upper surface; ii. a lower surface; iii. a peripheral portion; and iv. a central portion; b. a waterimpervious upper ply having: i. a top surface; ii. a bottom surface; iii.a peripheral portion; and iv. a central portion; c. a first water-insoluble adhesive applied to the lower surface of the base ply for attaching the base ply to the substrate, the first water-insoluble adhesive being soluble in a caustic bath; d. a second water-insoluble adhesive applied to the peripheral portion of at least one of the base ply and upper ply so as to attach the base ply and upper ply; and e. the promotional clement for being placed in the protective enclosure wherein the protective enclosure for receiving the promotional element is defined between the central portion of the upper ply and the central portion of the base ply; wherein the water-impervious base ply, the water-impervious upper ply, and the water-insoluble adhesive prevent migration of moisture to the promotional element, whereby the integrity of the promotional element can be maintained when the substrate and the label with the promotional element are immersed in water; the label further comprising the element and wherein the element is a middle ply. ... ...

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Game apparatus selects character information for recording on memory card, based on predetermined

information and frequency of playing by user Patent Assignee: NAMCO LTD (NAMC-N)

Inventor: NAKAMURA T

Patent Family (2 patents, 2 countries)

Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date	Update	Туре
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Token for gaming machine, has a built-in integrated circuit chip with a storage section into which a game initial data set selected from a predetermined data group is stored

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NOVELTY - The token has a built-in integrated circuit chip (30alpha,30beta,30gamma,30delta) having a storage section into which a game initial data set selected from a predetermined data group is stored.

USE - For gaming machine.

ADVANTAGE - Ensures that playing the game machine becomes very entertaining due to use of tokens.

Stimulates the desire of a player to use different tokens with built-in IC chips.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows the game initial data set stored in the token.

1Game initial data setting table

30alpha,30beta,30gamma,30deltaIntegrated circuit chip

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: TOKEN; GAME; MACHINE; BUILD; INTEGRATE; CIRCUIT; CHIP; STORAGE; SECTION; INITIAL; DATA; SET; SELECT; PREDETERMINED; GROUP

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